

QUEEN SOPHIE POPULAR.

Has Taken Opportunity to Endear Herself to Greek People.

Athens, Greece, March 10.—The blockade of the ports of Greece by the allied powers has furnished Queen Sophie her opportunity to endear herself to the Greek people. She was already the head of all the more important charities of Athens, but her work has always been very quiet and generally very little known or appreciated. During the 28 years that she has been first crown princess of Greece and then queen of the Hellenes, she has been rather a negative figure.

On the declaration of the blockade, however, she took up the active organization of the relief work among the blockade sufferers. To do this she had at command the committees of all the numerous charities she has established in the Greek capital as well as the central committee of the National League of Reservists, the mutual benefit organization of the veterans of the two late Balkan wars.

The committee of the reservists' league set about collecting subscriptions under the patronage of the queen, tapping every well-to-do Athenian family and even approaching the neutral diplomatists for funds to assist the blockade sufferers. The distribution of the funds so collected is being conducted by the hospital committee to the sick and by the committee for the assistance of working women to the needy. Queen Sophie herself personally follows and directs all the work and makes large contributions to it from her private purse.

Outside her little known charities, the Kaiser's sister has never before occupied much of a place in the hearts of the Greek people. The king, as personal commander in chief of the army, the victor in two successful wars and a man of great personal magnetism, has completely overshadowed his royal consort. While in every shop, cafe and office in Greece there hangs a portrait of King Constantine, portraits of Queen Sophie have hitherto been rare. It has only been since her active work in behalf of the blockade sufferers that there have appeared generally in the Athens shop calendars with the queen's picture on them, as well as the familiar ones bearing the king's picture.

Nor does the Kaiser's sister take a very active part in the social life of Athens. The king and queen dine once a week regularly with the king's brother, Prince Nicholas, and his wife, the Princess Helen. After dinner there is usually a party at which the diplomatic corps and the best Athenian society are gathered. The king remains all evening, even in the busiest times; but the queen rarely stops after dinner or takes any part in the gaieties. She receives no one, save where official etiquette renders an audience imperative. Her last formal audience was given to the German minister and his staff just before their leaving Greece on Nov. 22, last. When they had departed she went as the German diplomatic mission in Athens constituted the sole remaining link connecting her with her brother, Emperor William of Germany.

The royal family of Greece is very clannish and there are frequent family reunions at the houses of the king's numerous brothers. Queen Sophie seldom attends these. Her pet charity is her shop in which the home work of Greek women is sold. But her sister-in-law, the Princess Alice of Battenberg, the wife of the king's brother, Prince Andrew, runs a shop of the same character, in competition with the queen's just across Constitution square from Queen Sophie's. In the Princess Alice shop all the models are American—for hats, fine women's underclothing, dresses and other feminine nick-nacks. The American fashion papers set all the Princess Alice styles, and it is a source of great pride to her that every article sold in her shop that is not a reproduction of characteristic Greek costumes or peasant women's embroideries is made after American designs.

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RANDOLPH

Body of Nancy Flint Brought from Waterbury, Where She Died.

The remains of Nancy Flint, who had for years been supported by the town of Randolph, were brought here from Waterbury on Saturday, where she died in the hospital at that place. A. F. Lamb, the undertaker, took charge of the body, and it was placed in the tomb till later in the season, when it is expected that burial will be made here.

Col. Israel Converse, chapter, Daughter of the American Revolution, held its postponed February meeting at the home of Mrs. S. H. McCullough on Saturday afternoon, with a good attendance. There was a program as follows: Miss Elizabeth Holden gave a paper on Washington's ancestry, and Mrs. G. W. Scott followed with a reading. A second paper upon the topic, "Washington-Lincoln," was given by Abbie F. Clarke. The hostess served delicious refreshments and a social hour followed.

Mrs. G. A. Laird of Royalton, who was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lemuel Richmond, was present at the meeting and gave an invitation for the chapter to meet with her at a later time.

Hugh Seaver, a mail carrier, who has a room at the home of C. C. Gifford, is quite ill at his room with measles. There are now several cases of this disease in town, with a prospect of many others to follow, and there are reasonable expectations that the school will be seriously disturbed by the number who will be obliged to be absent. Meanwhile it has not yet been decided whether to close the same or not.

Mrs. James Oney, who has been out of health for some time, has gone to Vergennes to remain for an indefinite time with relatives there, hoping that the change may do her good.

EAST MONTPELIER

Sherman Lyford, who has been living in the Daniels rent for nearly a year, has moved onto the farm lately purchased in Middlesex.

Carl Sibley returned to his home and his work Monday morning, after spending the week with his father, Clark Sibley.

The main pipe of the water system burst Monday and caused great consternation throughout the village, but prompt action repaired the break and by Tuesday afternoon things resumed their normal attitudes.

Mr. Lunry of Barre has moved into the Daniels house vacated by the Lyfords. He will drive team for Harry Daniels this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coburn were business visitors in Montpelier Tuesday. Claire Dudley attended the auto show in Boston last week.

Maydeane Dix and her sister, Mrs. Andrew Christiansen, were in Barre Thursday.

Mrs. James Young was in Montpelier Wednesday.

Maydeane Dix entertained a party of young friends Saturday evening with music, games and refreshments.

A school entertainment is advertised for Thursday evening, March 15, at the village schoolhouse. Ladies are invited to bring boxes, which will be sold to the highest bidders. Popcorn and candy will be on sale. The entertainment will be a speaking contest by the pupils.

ROCHESTER

Paul Tinkham, who underwent an operation for strangulated hernia, is doing well. The operation was performed at his home by his cousin, Dr. Henry Tinkham of Burlington.

Mrs. Orin Lyon of Budley, Wash., arrived here last week, being called by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. John Wyman, with pneumonia.

The ladies' aid of the Congregational society will present the drama, "The Lost of the Earth," Friday evening, March 16, in G. A. R. hall.

The license vote here Tuesday was yes 18, no 80. The town voted \$500 for the library.

James Goodyear has finished work for Chester Pierce.

James Walker has sold his house to Charles Houston.

Mrs. Susan Tupper still remains very ill.

Charles Stockwell of Randolph, who has been caring for his uncle, the late Azro Stockwell, returned to his home Thursday.

Mrs. E. H. Edgerton has returned from her visit to Hermon, N. Y.

Mrs. A. N. Whitmarsh has returned from Boston, where she has been buying spring and summer millinery.

Hurrying Matters.

A Philadelphia servant sought her mistress with the announcement that her mother was sick and that she therefore desired permission to go home for a few days.

"Certainly," said the woman, "but do not stay longer than necessary, as we need you."

A week passed and not a word from the maid. Then a note came which read: "Dear Mrs. Jones: I will be back next week. Please keep my place for me, as my mother is dying as fast as she can."—Harper's.

BETHEL

George A. Ingalls Died Sunday—Funeral Will Be Held Tuesday.

George A. Ingalls died yesterday morning at about 8 o'clock. He was one of the best known men in town and his death is much deplored. He had suffered many months from gastric ulcers, but was out the middle of last week and had seemed better for a few weeks before that. The funeral will be at the Universalist church to-morrow at 1 o'clock, in charge of the Masonic fraternity. He also had been prominent as an Odd Fellow, being a past noble grand of Bethel lodge, No. 35, I. O. O. F. For many years he followed the trade of painter and decorator. Twice he held a seventh-class license, his store being the one now occupied by the Atlantic & Pacific Tea company. He was born in Hancock and was the younger son of the late Alden E. Ingalls, who lived until a few years ago. He is survived by his wife, two children and a brother, Alton Ingalls of Derry, N. H., who came yesterday to assist in the funeral arrangements.

W. C. Clifford is at home after a month's absence in the interest of the Woodbury Granite Co.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Cushing went yesterday to Boston to visit their daughter, Miss Irene Cushing, at Jackson college.

O. C. Boyce went yesterday to Penacook, N. H., for a visit.

A. N. Washburn was in Boston Friday and in Brattleboro Saturday. With his wife and daughter he visited the automobile show.

E. L. Bass went yesterday to visit the lumber markets in Boston and some of the Connecticut cities.

Mrs. O. H. Luce, who was called from Cambridge, Mass., by the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. Florence Wyman, will remain with her sister, Mrs. Wesley Collins, a few weeks. Mr. Luce returned to his work in Cambridge today.

M. L. Hilliard has been at home several weeks from his work in Manchester, N. H., because of the loss of an end of one thumb, which is now healing nicely.

Mrs. Wilbur N. Salter of South Royalton is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. C. F. Shepard.

Miss Lottie Merrill has been home from her work in Barre. Her sister, Miss Olive Merrill, has gone to Barre to work.

Royal Wallace was here over Sunday from Springfield to see his little daughter, who is growing well in the care of his mother, Mrs. E. A. Marsh.

Miss Minnie Marsigli is ill with the measles.

Mrs. F. A. Bowen is suffering severely from neuritis.

Mrs. Harriet T. Chase, aged 87 years, is spending some time with her friend, Dr. Elizabeth J. C. Freeman.

E. A. Davis, senator from Windsor county in 1910, revisited the state capital last week.

Blanche Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Eleanor Rogers, Jerold Blodgett, George Tucker, Adeline Newman and Robert Newman are some of the more recent measles sufferers.

Ellen Gilson has not been in her usual good health most of the winter, and for this reason did not take her customary trip to Florida.

Charles L. Lilley has been appointed assistant town clerk.

A final meeting of the creditors of George Karkanides, who formerly was in the fruit business here, will be held at Montpelier next Saturday.

LEAGUE TO ENFORCE PEACE.

A Japanese Diplomat Includes United States with Entente.

Tokio, March 12.—That a league including Great Britain, the United States, France, Russia, Italy and Japan should be formed to guarantee the peace of the world is the opinion of Baron Yoshino Sakamaki, who recently returned from the United States after an official mission to Europe. The statesman developed his idea in the official organ of the Japanese Peace society and the American Peace society of Japan.

The powers named, he declares, should combine their armies and navies and declare to the world that all conflicts arising between nations which cannot be settled by diplomatic means, should be submitted for judicial settlement to the international court at the Hague or to some other tribunal. Any nation disobeying this declaration should be considered as unjust and be punished by the combined powers.

"Follow the Leader."

A nervous commuter on his dark, lonely way home from the railroad station heard footsteps behind him. He had an uncomfortable feeling that he was being followed. He increased his speed. The footsteps quickened accordingly. The commuter darted down a lane. The footsteps still pursued him. In desperation he vaulted over a fence and, rushing into a churchyard, threw himself panting on one of the graves.

"If he follows me here," he thought fearfully, "there can be no doubt as to his intentions."

The man behind was following. He could hear him scrambling over the fence. Visions of highwaymen, maniacs, goblins and the like flashed through his brain. Quivering with fear, the nervous one arose and faced his pursuer.

"What do you want?" he demanded. "Why are you following me?"

"Say," asked the stranger, mopping his brow, "do you always go home like this? I'm going up to Mr. Brown's, and the man at the station told me to follow you, as you lived next door. Excuse my asking you, but is there much more to do before we get there?"—Ladies' Home Journal.

MRS. MELTON'S LETTER

To Tired, Worn-Out Mothers

Jackson, Miss.—"I shall feel repaid for writing this letter if it can help any tired, worn-out mother or housekeeper to find health and strength as I have."

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AUSTRIA'S REPLY.

Does Not Give Any Hopeful Feeling in United States.

A close reading of the Austrian note fails to disclose anything very hopeful. Out of its interminable logic chopping the two facts which emerge, apart from an apparent indisposition to force a rupture with the United States, are that the pledges previously given stand, and that they are not and never have been worth anything.

Austria-Hungary agrees with the United States as to the claims of humanity; let neutrals stay on shore and they will never be drowned. It agrees that ships should be warned; it will do very well to warn all ships that they will be sunk without warning. It agrees as to the freedom of the seas, and holds that the way to get that is through an Austrian victory won by means more outrageous to neutrals than any used by sea power in modern times.

While the dual monarchy has become but an automaton the strings of which are pulled in Berlin, it keeps its own lawyers and they have not yet learned the importance of team work. Certainly Vienna had not heard of the discovery of the Zimmermann note, though of course it knows about the existence of it, when the wholly gratuitous remark was penned that "the central powers have no desire in this war to beg for allies."

The betrayal of the Mexican plot gives delicious point to this. Surely, too, if the Wilhelmstrasse had passed on the text it would have blue-penciled the statement that "for more than two years the central powers hesitated"—to declare unrestricted submarine war. Berlin would have known that while the United States swallow much it has not forgotten the danger of February 1915, only six months after the outbreak of war.

Berlin also might have objected to so candid an account of the British blockade: "By the illegal prevention of exports from the central powers Great Britain aimed at paralyzing countless factories and works which the industrially highly developed peoples of central Europe had created and by forcing workmen to be idle to incite them to revolution." This is not the ruthless "hunger war" of Germany, legend and by the standards of our Civil war it is both a legitimate and a humane expedient for shortening a war in so far as it is carried out in a humane and legitimate manner.

Austria-Hungary, in fact, appears to defend the ruthless use of submarines not as an act of reprisal but on the ground of dire need. "By reason of the obstinacy and malignity of her enemies, who intend her destruction, Austria-Hungary has been placed in a state of self-defense for which history knows no parallel." The allies, it is needless to say, have not threatened and do not desire the destruction of Austria-Hungary; can Austria-Hungary say as much for Serbia?

Following its own logic, Austria-Hungary damages the complaint of Germany, voiced afresh only the other day by Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, that neutrals have not asserted their rights against Great Britain. From the Austrian point of view neutrals have no rights to assert. "Belligerents are entitled to decide for themselves what measures should be taken against the enemy in sea traffic. In such cases neutrals have no other legitimate interests and therefore no other legal claim than that the belligerents inform them in time of a prohibition directed to an enemy so that they can avoid infringing their lives and their goods to enemy vessels."

This view if admissible would at least be clear enough if it stood alone. It is made flatter by the line taken elsewhere that neutral ships may be sunk, like enemy ships, without warning excepting the general proclamation to keep off the seas. Into what morasses the authors of the note have strayed in the effort to vitiate past pledges without recalling them is illustrated in the laborious demonstration that if a ship does not resist or run away, and is not armed, it is entitled to humane procedure in conformity to the international law which is very well described in the note—unless a general warning has been issued that the submarines will violate that law!

That position the United States cannot accept. Whether the note will compel a rupture of relations with Austria-Hungary is yet to be seen. There may be reasons, into which it is as well not to inquire, why the United States government prefers at present not to take this step, and Austria-Hungary on its side by referring to the unlikelihood, in the Mediterranean, of an overt act which would compel President Wilson to recall Ambassador Penfield, may be suggesting that the present precarious position might be allowed to stand.

Nothing, perhaps, would be gained by severing relations if that can be avoided; the break with Berlin sufficiently expresses America's feeling in the matter. But if the case is left to stand there must be no room left for mistake as to the energy with which the United States rejects the monstrous doctrine advanced by Austria-Hungary. When set forth with detailed argument it becomes even more preposterous than when put dogmatically in the brusque Berlin style.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

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"Reckon you're on to Jim Harker. I'm the party that gave the information on the bloke. Don't try to take him unless you're armed and get him where he can't shoot. He's a desperate man. The woman with him is wanted, too, but if you get him you'll do well. Don't try to do too much."

By the time Walker returned to his seat the woman had returned to hers. As we approached a town of importance just before we pulled into the station the woman with Harker got up and went to the saloon, which was at the rear of the car. A moment later Harker bolted to the front car door. Frank dashed after him, and I started to go in the other direction to the saloon when the woman who had given us the information got in my way.

"Where are you going?" she cried excitedly. "Don't you see that your man has gone out by the forward door?"

"Let me pass!" I said angrily. "My friend is going after him. I'm to get the woman."

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There seemed nothing for me to do but wait for Walker's return. Within half an hour he came in with his quarry. Frank had armed himself with a revolver, a deputy sheriff's badge and a pair of bracelets, the latter articles being now on his prisoner's wrists.

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A Detective Episode

By ANDREW CUMMINGS

I had been ambitious for some time to try my hand at detective work. Having an uncle who was at the head of a detective bureau, I persuaded him to give me a trial. He said he would as soon as he had a simple case, for since I was not experienced he would not trust me with a difficult one.

In due time he called me to his office and said to me:

"I have a letter from a woman this morning to say that Jim Harker, a crook we have been looking for, is to leave the city by a certain train to-morrow. We have him corralled, but he is going to make an attempt to break through. The reason given by the informer is that he is going in company with another woman, who is her rival. Such communications may be sincere or they may be tricks to cover a retreat. I can give you a man to assist you if you like."

It occurred to me that if I were successful my assistant would claim the credit, and if I failed he would point out wherein I had been mistaken. I preferred to choose my own helper and took with me Frank Walker, a chum of mine who had written a detective story remarkable for its ingenuity. He would have been glad of an opportunity to show that he could do as well in real detective work as in fiction had he not been considered the case beneath his ability.

I had been shown a photograph of Harker on file in the rogues' gallery and noted his features carefully, fixing them in my mind. Consequently I had no difficulty in recognizing him when I saw him in the station in company with a dabbly dressed woman, who betrayed her anxiety for him constantly, despite her efforts to conceal it.

Walker from the start manifested a disposition to take the most important part of the work into his keeping, leaving the unimportant part to me.

"I think we had better divide the watch between us," he said. "They are liable to separate, and we should have it arranged which one you will shadow. I'll take the man, if you like, and you take the woman."

I suggested that we had better arrest them both at once, but Walker seemed desirous to make something dramatic of it and remonstrated, urging that we must first get them where they could not get away. I yielded to him, and when the fugitives entered the car we got in too.

"I don't understand, Frank," I said, "why the crook is leaving town without disguising himself. He is an exact duplicate of his picture."

"That's what spooks the job," was Walker's reply; "it's altogether too dead easy."

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